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SUBJECT: CULTURAL/SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES PROGRAM NEGOTIATION:
TRAVEL OF THOMAS GERTH

1. DEPARTMENT HAS ADDED THOMAS GERTH, EUR/EE, TO THE NEGOTIATING TEAM FOR BUDAPEST AND SOFIA. HE HAS BEEN ACTION OFFICER ON THE HUNGARIAN AGREEMENT AND IS ALSO FAMILIAR WITH THE BULGARIAN AGREEMENT. REALIZING THE HEAVY DEMANDS ON EMBASSY SOFIA DURING THE PERIOD OF THE NEGOTIATION, WE BELIEVE GERTH CAN HELP THE NEGOTIATING GROUP. HE PLANS TO ARRIVE BUDAPEST ON PANAM 66 DECEMBER 1 AND WILL ACCOMPANY RICHMOND TO SOFIA DECEMBER 7 ON MA 830.

2. FOR SOFIA: PLEASE RESERVE MODERATE-PRICED SINGLE ROOM FOR DECEMBER 7 - 11.

3. FOR BUDAPEST: TIME PERMITTING GERTH WISHES TO MAKE A LIMITED NUMBER OF CALLS ON GOH OFFICIALS AT FOREIGN RELATIONS INSTITUTE, CONSULAR DEPARTMENT AND OTHER AREAS SUGGESTED BY EMBASSY. IF POSSIBLE HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO

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MAKE A BRIEF CALL ON DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER JANOS NAGY,

WHO EXTENDED INVITATION DURING RECENT VISITS. KISSINGER

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